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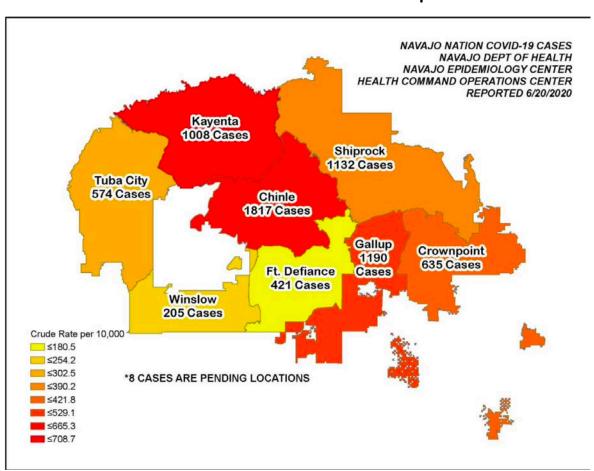
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3,603 new recoveries, 27 new cases, and one new death related to COVID-19 reported



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Sunday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 27 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and one death. The total number of deaths reached 335 as of Sunday. Reports from 11 health care facilities on and near the Navajo Nation indicate that approximately 3,603 individuals recovered from COVID-19, with one health care facility report still

pending. 49,027 people have been tested for COVID-19. The total number of COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation is 6,990.

Here are the Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 1,817
Crownpoint Service Unit: 635
Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 421
Gallup Service Unit: 1,190
Kayenta Service Unit: 1,008
Shiprock Service Unit: 1,132
Tuba City Service Unit: 574
Winslow Service Unit: 205

"The Navajo Nation health care facilities continue to test our citizens at a greater rate per capita than any state in the country. Over 20-percent of our residents have been tested. The Nation also has a contact tracing team to address the increased number of cases and to begin identifying the places and people the patient was in contact with to deter more cases. We encourage our Navajo citizens to keep their guard up, stay home, wear your mask, wash their hands, and practice social distancing. Don't back down," said President Nez.

The Navajo Nation 57-hour weekend lockdown ends on Monday at 5:00 a.m. (MDT), and the daily curfew from 8:00 p.m. (MDT) to 5:00 a.m. (MDT) will still be in effect. All businesses on the Nation were closed during the lockdown, and all Navajo tribal parks are still closed to visitors until further notice.

"Staying home, washing our hands, cleaning and disinfecting high-touched surfaces, wearing a face mask, and staying six feet away from others can protect us. As we enter into a new week, we ask our citizens to be safe and be alert. Help each other to take care of one another," said Vice President Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website at http://www.ndoh.navajonsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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^{*} Eight residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.